

Depot Town Rag

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Enjoy a January thaw Celebration

"Sure, sure; we know all about the jazz concerts and the parades and the sidewalk cafés, but what do you do all winter down in Depot Town?" we hear those foreigners say when they scoff at our continued up-beat approach to all things neighborly down here.

That's a pretty good question for someone who sits under an electric blanket all winter, waiting for the golf course to open up again in spring time.

Knowing there are some who just save up their old *Depot Town Rags* for winter consumption, here's a compendium of activities to keep them busy if they should chance a January-February-March visit to this old district.

- Get a haircut. That's always been a popular pastime down here
- Feed the ducks. They stay all year, now
- Shovel the sidewalk
- Go sledding down the illegal hill behind Old Town Hall
- Go cross-country skiing in Frog Island and Riverside Park
- Join a planning committee for next year's Heritage Fest
- Build a float for the St. Patrick's Day Parade
- Research an old family, old building, old business in the area at the local libraries
- Shovel the sidewalk ... please!
- Go shopping from shop to shop just like in the old days
- Get a hot drink at any of five locations on the block - maybe more
- Put your feet up against the wood stove at the Freighthouse
- Wave at the engineer as the train goes by
- Contract with that painter for next summer's re-do
- Bemoan the passing of the caboose on local freights
- Take out-of-towners to the new auto museum
- Tour the Ypsilanti Historical Museum
- Pay someone to shovel the sidewalk
- Send 'Real Winter photos' to friends hiding out in Florida
- Get another cup of coffee; tell another story
- Sue the railroad over something
- Buy your Christmas decorations out of season
- Start reading seed catalogs
- Collect paint and awning samples for spring
- Shovel the sidewalk ... again

DTA proposed bylaws change to be finalized at January meeting

After a year's review and re-writing, a by-law review committee presented changes in November. According to the existing by-laws, they must be reviewed for one month before voted upon. December's meeting saw general and informal discussion, but January's DTA session should see the actual motion to adopt the changes and determine the future direction of the organization. Officers urge the membership to pay special attention to this important part of the district's decision making process.



"It's a wonderful life (neighborhood)..."

"It looked just like the 'before' scenes in the Frank Capra movie," enthused one shopper during Depot Town's Victorian Holiday last month. Referring to Jimmy Stewart's happy reunion with the downtown district of Potterville in "It's a Wonderful Life," the decorations and attitude on this block did, indeed, look a lot like Hollywood's sentimental view of hometown, small town America in a time when neighbors still acted neighborly and customers were still appreciated by the shop keepers.

"Just like in the movies..." is another platitude that keeps popping up down in Ypsi's old railroad district, as property owners keep the style

- Five-year plan and feasibility study
- How we've changed!
- **Artrain to return**
- Reunion planned
- *Reaching high places*
- Railroad Days' telegraphy exhibit and other strictly local stuff ...

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STABLE

Newsletter bounces back

Welcome back as we begin the stretch for this neighborhood newsletter's twentieth year. Last six months saw the editor's serious questions about our viability. Was there enough support and local news to continue?

"Yes," said the Depot Town Association, and like the 'flasher' who decided to 'stick it out for a while longer,' DTA agreed to keep this production process going through June 1996.

DTA officers and actives have been scouring the block for commitments from past supporters and are encouraging others to join us for the first time. Watch their progress here. As our sponsorship grows, so does our clientele of viable sidewalk traffic.

We're strong, secure, and stable and the proof is in those little stickers on the doors of shops and businesses which distribute *The Rag* every month. Thanks to them, our little commercial district just keeps on keeping on.

and form of the original nineteenth century buildings and the businesses adhere to the ethics and traditions of a life style still respected by consumers - but not often found at the megamalls on the outskirts of the metropolis.

Thanks to the many who decorated windows, strung garlands and lights, held open houses, and welcomed old friends back to celebrate the season, this old commercial block brought back another time that's much appreciated.

All that sentimentality is not concocted by some public relations firm, either. It's just the way things are down here - and will continue to be that way for some time to come..

Railroad Days '96 Ypsilanti Farmers' Market Saturday, 27 January

- Operate antique Morse Code telegraphy sounders
- Railroad days photos, videos, artifacts and more on display
- Hear train songs, live, in the coffeeshop by local musicians
- Conrail's Operation Lifesaver safety display
- Share your personal memories of Ypsilanti's railroad days at the coffeeshop mic - 11 A.M.
- Exhibits by Toledo Chapter of the Morse Code Telegraph Club,
Bluewater Michigan Chapter of National Railway Historical Society,
Milan Historical Society, Southern Michigan Railway Society
- Railway poster coloring for children
- Antique railroad lantern display

Railroad Days to feature 4th annual historic Morse Telegraph demo

On January 27, 1996, a piece of history will unfold at the Freighthouse in the historic Depot Town part of Ypsilanti, Michigan. Witness the annual event of Railroad Days. With modern technology present in today's society, who would think that Morse Telegraphy could possibly still be around? Invented by Samuel F.B. Morse, telegraphy was used in conjunction with the early development of our great railroads joining America from east to west.

In 1996, we will celebrate the 152nd anniversary of the first inter-city telegraph message, "What had God wrought?" To celebrate this historic event, the local chapter of the Morse Telegraph Club will be present for a display and demonstration of Morse telegraphy. Many antique telegraph sounders, keys, relays, and other instruments will be exhibited and operations. The club members consist of railroad, Western Union, amateur radio, and other telegraphers. Ages of members in the club range from 18 to 104 years old.

Morse Telegraph Club local chapter president, Ralph Caryl, from Davison, Michigan, and the secretary/treasurer, Bill Garrett, from Flint, Michigan, will be available to answer questions. Both worked for the Grand Trunk Railroad and are now retired. Al Skornicka, a Morse Telegraph Club member from Ypsilanti, invited the club members to participate and is the coordinator of this historic event.

If you are interested in witnessing Morse Telegraphy and railroad history in action, plan on attending. This hands-on experience is an excellent opportunity for school and scouting groups and is absolutely free.

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and almost before you are aware of it,
you find it impossible to send any kind of
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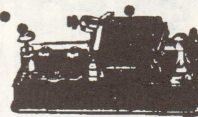
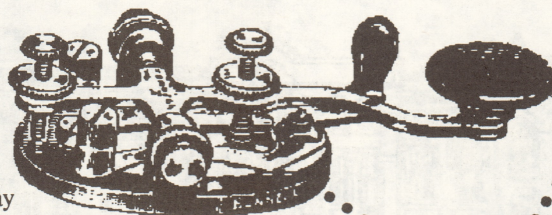
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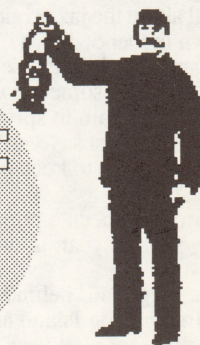


The International Morse Code

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J	.-.-.-
K	.-.-
L	.-.-.-
M	---
N	-. -
O	---
P	.-.-.-
Q	.-.-.-
R	.-.-
S	...
T	-
U	..-
V	...-
W	.-.-
X	-. -
Y	.-.-
Z	---.

Al Skornicka: "When I was growing up in the small town of Dryden, Michigan, I spent much time visiting our railroad depot. The Grand Trunk Railroad ran through our town. I remember the smell of steam and coal from the trains that passed through. I listened for many hours to the American Morse telegraph, operated by the railroad depot operator and to the stories he would tell. From that experience — and from the Boy Scouts — I learned the Morse Code and later received my amateur radio license. Several years have passed, but my memories of that telegraph sounder remain clear."

Depot Town:
on the
right track!



Back to Ypsilanti - again and again and again!

Artrain to return for seventh time

Marking the continued progress of Ypsilanti's depot district since its first stop here in 1975, the Artrain will show its new installation of art works here from August 16 to 18, 1996. Starting this year's tour with a grand opening in Washington, D.C., the nation's only art museum on wheels will then make stops in Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee, Alabama, Indiana, and Ohio before returning to Michigan. After its return to Ypsilanti, Artrain goes to the Michigan State Fair, Greenfield Village, and then into the northern portion of the lower peninsula (East Tawas, Pinconning, Petosky, Caro, and Owosso). The season's final stops include Woodhaven, Chelsea, Livonia, and Detroit in late November.

The newly installed exhibition is entitled "Art in Celebration! - Works from The Smithsonian Associates Collection,"

featuring a collection of commissioned artwork from the Smithsonian Institution membership organization, The Smithsonian Associates. These works have been commissioned annually since 1973 to celebrate and commemorate momentous Smithsonian Institution events taking place over the past 25 years. These 30+ works of art will be augmented by photographs of the artists and the events being celebrated, artists' correspondence, and interactive displays.

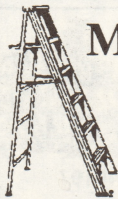
Featured in the collection are the works of:

Luis Cruz Azaceta	Tomie dePaola	Stanley Kunitz	Otto Piene
Alexander Calder	Sam Gilliam	Jacob Lawrence	Larry Rivers
Elizabeth Catlett	Nancy Graves	Carlo Mejia	James Rosenquist
Gene Davis	Philip Guston	Lowell Nesbitt	Raphael Soyer
Willem de Kooning	Richard Haas	Vera Neuman	Wayne Thiebaud
Willem de Looper	Robert Indiana	Kenneth Noland	Mindy Weisel
	Jacob Kainen	Georgia O'Keefe	

The collection and exhibition have been organized by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service, The Smithsonian Associates, and Artrain's office staff in Ann Arbor and is sponsored by the Chrysler Corporation.

Locally, the August layover will be sponsored by the Ypsilanti Visitor & Convention Bureau and will again be a highlight of the annual Heritage Festival. Welcome back to Depot Town, Artrain: your progress has paralleled our own!

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Meet Joe Orosco, who's reached high places in this district

See that guy up on the ladder putting up/taking down greens? Do you recognize those feet way up above our eye level where we don't enjoy climbing any more? Those are the feet of Joe Orosco, maintenance and handyperson from Aubree's Saloon, who's been getting up on that ladder for Depot Town projects for eighteen years now.

Joe started working at Aubree's when he was a teenager, only taking time off to go fishing on Ford Lake now and then. Most of the rest of the time, when he's not assisting Sandee and Bill French with their continual remodeling of Aubree's, Sticks, Cady's Grill, and their numerous outdoor dining ventures, he's up there on the ladder for the good of the neighborhood, pasting up flags, hanging greens, painting signs, stretching banners, hammering nails, or tying something way up high where it can be seen to welcome visitors to this block.

Joe has been one of the most enthusiastic hands-on helpers on this block for a generation, now, and the district certainly looks the better for it.

Such dedication and regularity do not seek thanks from those on the ground. The best thing to say to folks like Joe is, "Good job!" He knows he is appreciated by his neighbors and encourages others to come on out (or up the ladder) and join in on the fun.

District promotion is a task for all of us to face and much of it is as practical as screwing in an eye-bolt, or holding the other end of a board for awhile. Depot Town has made it because of the works of "a guy named Joe."

Good job, Joe!

A Depot Town

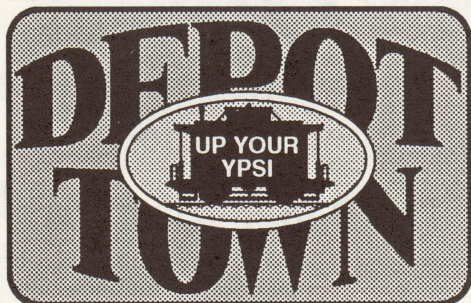


Reunion plans bursting with enthusiasm

After a nearly year's planning and much discussion throughout the block and at the Sidetrack Grill, Linda French has brought together the thoughts and wishes of Depot Towners, past and present, for a district-wide celebration/reunion/homecoming to be seen on this block in the spring.

"We've been inundated with replies," reports French. "One lady brought in pictures of the interior of the old Kroger grocery store that used to be across the street." She's still collecting photos, dates, names, addresses, and countless stories from Depot Towners of the past who anxiously await the happy event.

"It'll happen after all those folks get back from Florida," she promises. Watch these pages and the daily's for the long-awaited Depot Town Reunion to be held in April or May. Linda encourages folks to continue stopping in to her Sidetrack Grill to share their stories and get on the mailing list. It's sure to be an event to compare with sending the troops off at the MCRR depot or welcoming the Presidential train.



Dateline: Depot Town

A Neighborhood Forgotten by Time (and Life and Newsweek)

Aubree's Saloon 'Beer Guy' kidnapped



A plywood cut-out of the Aubree's Saloon logo crossed the street in August to stand in the doorway of Cady's Grill and seemed right at home there. With his 1890's stripes, sleeve garters, and handlebar mustache, he seemed as natural on either side of the street.

But he took off with the crowd during Heritage Festival and hasn't been seen since. Sandee and Bill French hope he'll return -- at least in time for next spring's district-wide reunion.

"Hey! The Sidetrack's moose head came back for the St. Patrick's Day parade, didn't he?" noted one neighborhood wag who remembered the kidnapping mystery of two years ago.

Aubree's Beer Guy could be easy to recognize in a crowd (or a college dorm room); he's eight feet tall and only a half inch thick from front to back. He's bright and happy and certainly would like to be returned to his old home in Depot Town. A reward has been offered but, so far, there have been no takers.

What this town needs is a new bumper sticker slogan:

- Such a lot of PR for such a small town
- I didn't know the North *had* an Air Force!
- Keeping Wayne out of Ann Arbor
- Park my pick-up, watch my dog
- Still talking to my neighbors
- My kid can kick your honor student's butt
- We won World War II, didn't we?
- The 'Good Old Days' are still here
- I'm staying *home* for my vacation
- ...where I can eat with my hat on!
- On the North Shore of Ford Lake
- See you Saturday at the Market!
- I'm the Ypsi Gypsy!
- Down between the river & the railroad track
- We don't say 'Ypsi' any more
- Phyllis Diller slept here
- I was blinded by the Festival of Lights
- Still a good whistle stop
- Michigan Ave: World's longest Main Street
- I rented an ancestor at the Heritage Fest
- Historical, Hysterical: I don't care.
- Yup! I'm a Yester Fester!
- The Water Tower stands for me!

Old slogans that still work:

- Firmly rooted in the past -
- with a clear view forward (DTA)
- Up your Ypsi!
(former Ypsilanti Arts Council)
- Visitors treated the same a home folks
(Farmers' Market)
- Where Business and Commerce meet
(Chamber of Commerce)
- Go back where you came from
(painted on the side of Godfroy's Trading Post by Native Americans)

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Awning completes expansion

A new teal-and-white striped awning continues the line of sight along Richard Reid's Hair Station to Hon's Flowers and perfectly joins the teal trim in the rest of that elegant facade on East Cross Street. Numbers 46, 48 and 50 and artfully joined in a unifying color scheme that highlights the unique businesses within.

Announcing 'tanning' on its apron, this newest innovation to the building points out the entry to Reid's recently doubled-in-size Hair Station and carries out the interior color scheme to the street. Two state-of-the-art stand-up tanning booths are now operating in the shop with a variety of plans to keep that healthful summer vacation look all year 'round.

There are still a few on the block who can remember when that space was open before with Lawton Upholstery, the Old Town Bizarre, and the Depot Town General Store. Now it's open again -- and the space seems even larger and more delightful with the newest treatment.

As with barbershops from The Good Old Days, Reid's use of huge mirrors on the side walls give an optical illusion that's fascinated many kids since their first hair cut. As Winnie the Pooh pondered, "You can see all the way to the East (and West) poles from here!" It's a fascinating effect in a shop that seems even more than double its original size.

Holiday kudos

Special thanks...

... to all our neighbors who decorated so elegantly for the past holiday season. The streets the windows, the building cornices, the light poles, the Christmas trees and lights everywhere, the shops' interiors and exteriors, the Crossing Guard Tower, the awnings; all brought the spirit of the Christmas season to those who entered Depot Town in December. We've never looked better.

Visitors from afar and folks who've been here forever agree: this block was just gorgeous last month from end to end to end.

This old commercial district was a-twinkle with good taste and good wishes and we owe a big sloppy Christmas-kiss-under-the-mistletoe to everyone who helped put it all together.

Depot Town Association, Inc.



Pot-luck replaces usual monthly business session

December 14th's DTA meeting took a delightful turn when the membership decided to hold a Christmas pot-luck dinner, instead. Jack Edenburn, chair of the Central Business Community, and his wife were special guests of the Depot Town Association as thirty neighbors crowded around tables in the main showroom of Renewed Interest Antiques for a gala celebration of neighborhood values and traditions.

Special thanks go to Roger and Judy Julie for setting up the event. Many in attendance agreed that this should become another of Depot Town's instant traditions. Look forward to this winter block party again soon.

1996 projects announced for the good of the block

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STATEMENT

I, David V. French, have been authorized by the Depot Town Association (DTA) to initiate and complete the following projects for the calendar year of 1996:

1. Establish a five-year plan to enhance and complete the original plan for the development of the historical business area known as Depot Town. The scope of the proposed plan will include - but is not limited to, capital improvements, event and activity organization, aggressive marketing, and funding. The plan will encompass improvements in the business district, freighthouse, and Frog Island in the geographical area designated as Depot Town as described in the original development plan approved in 1975 by the DTA and the City of Ypsilanti.

2. A feasibility and best use study to determine if the Freighthouse and/or Frog Island can be transformed into the premier event and activity area for Washtenaw and Western Wayne Counties. This study will establish market area and also recommend the capital improvements, funding, management, marketing, and organizational structure required to accomplish this goal, if feasible.

The following are some of the preliminary ideas suggested for the two segments proposed in the feasibility study:

2.1 Frog Island - features a natural amphitheater with controlled access:

- Major & minor music festivals

- Rugby & soccer matches
- Special Olympics
- Antique and/or Classic Car shows
- Cow-drop contest
- Highland Games
- Flood island for skating & hockey
- Open-air theater

2.2 Freighthouse - features large, open interior, large porch area and outside awning area:

- Improved Farmers' Market, café, and vendor operations
- Chili Cook-off competition
- Roast pig competitions
- Parties and weddings
- Bingo/Gambling nights
- Antique auctions
- Product shows, card shows, etc.
- Indoor music events
- Holiday events and activities
- Children's theater and events
- Art and/or sculpture workshops
- Dance events, clogging, line, etc.

The five-year plan and the feasibility study are expected to be completed by June of 1996. We sincerely believe the improvements recommended and instituted will greatly enhance the economic viability of the City of Ypsilanti and Washtenaw County. Your valuable input in this endeavor will be greatly appreciated.

For a better Ypsilanti,
-David V. French,
DTA president



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"How old are you, kid? Twelve? Why, when I was your age, I was twenty-one!"

How our perspective changes as we age. Why, when I was a kid, there used to be twenty-six trains a day stop here in Ypsilanti. And I used to have to walk clear across the living room just to change the channel on the television - sometimes through five feet of snow!

Yeah. Sure. And every time we tell it, it gets better.

Depot Town stories get that way, too, and we always have to be on the lookout for those kids at the Freighthouse who are collecting their own 'good old days' stories to tell later on.

We all tend to think ours is the only perspective that matters, simply because it's so personal but, then, so is everybody else's.

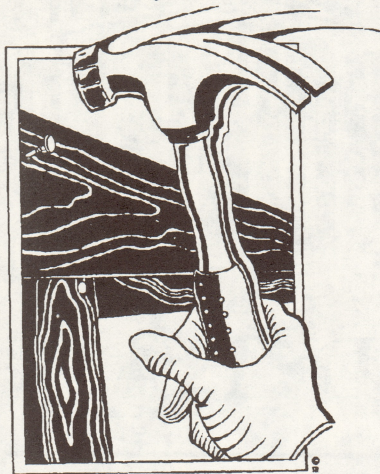
Try some of this page's observations on for size and see how they hold up in the re-telling.

Oh, Depot Towners, how we've changed!

- Those awful kids today are starting to dress just like we did. Only the clothes look better this time around.

- We were even too old to be Hippies. Maybe we were Beatniks. Or were we Bohemians? See that outfit across the street? Now *that's* what we used to wear! Oh, oh! It's coming back again.

- The only doctor who'll make housecalls today is Jack Kevorkian.



- Jobs we used to do ourselves, we pay other people to do now. They do it better, too, but we still complain a lot. In fact, we complain more now than we did then!

- Our first house cost \$15,000 and now we live in a house that costs \$150,000. But the first house now costs 150 Gs, too. How come?

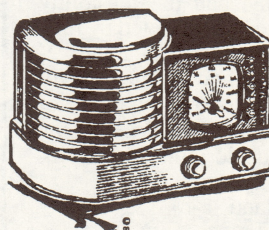
- They said, by the year 2000, there would be more deaths by handguns than from traffic accidents. So, what did we do? We raised the speed limit!

- We used to buy our car down on the corner and take it to the other end of the block to have it bumped out. Now the cars go from the bump shop to the museum - and the line of traffic is exactly the same.

- East Cross Street was made wide enough for horse-drawn wagons to turn around at the depot; now mini vans have no trouble making U-turns.



"Whistler's father"

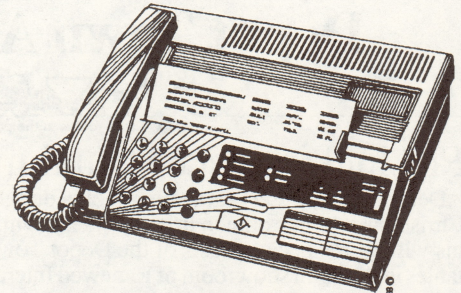
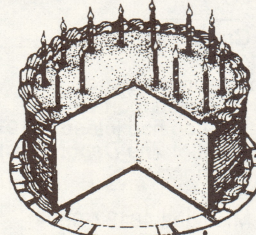


- When they showed oil paintings of Depot Town on Ted Heusel's WAAM radio show, call-ins recognized the scenes without any difficulty!

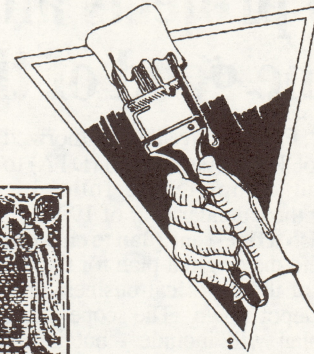
- Things we remember as 'new' are beginning to show up in the antique shops on the block.

- Other people's grandkids aren't nearly as interesting as ours. One local likes to complain about his 'ugly' grandkids and then takes out his wallet photo to 'prove it.' Typically, everyone joins in the chorus of how handsome the tots are. "Oh. Do you really think so?" he responds -- with a smile that tells you he knew it all along.

- Birthdays just aren't as important as they used to be, are they? Besides, we aren't eating cake anymore, anyway. That certainly makes things easier.



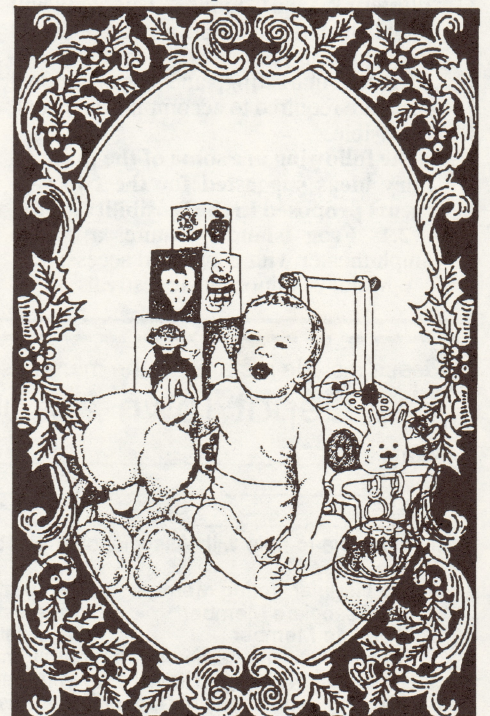
- We used to *just hate* it when we called someone and got an answering machine. Now we're equally indignant when the person we're calling *doesn't* have one. Lately, we've been looking at those ads for phones that answer, wait, interrupt, sort, copy, file, and fax. But will it work in the car, too? Gotta check that out.



- 'Fast' food just doesn't satisfy us lately. Seems so good to sit at a table and wait for the waitperson. Wait a minute; is that where the concept came from?

- Colors we used to think were 'icky' we just adore today. In fact, we've even come to grips with Victorian interiors! We used to think the Historic District was pushy, but then we saw our income tax returns and turned conservative.

- We used to think we were 'liberals' and then we joined the historic preservation movement. Hey, wait a minute! Aren't the conservatives supposed to save everything? How did we wind up on this side?



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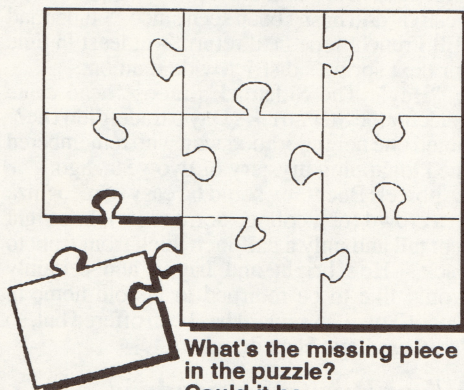
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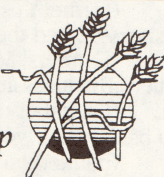
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New Year's

Resolutions

**heard on this block
earlier this month**

- I'll gladly be a host for the New Year's Jubilee in the Freighthouse
- Get all my shopping done on this block first
- Eat out at all the neighborhood cafés and saloons weekly
- Shovel my sidewalk right after the snowfall
- Welcome guests to the Festival of Lights
- Serve on a Frog Island Jazz Festival committee or work force
- Start up a new promotion to take the Heritage Fest back to its original premise of local history
- Wash my shop window regularly
- Always put "In Ypsilanti's historic Depot Town" on all advertising and promotional printing for my business
- Become more active in the Association's monthly promotions, meetings, and events for the good of the neighborhood
- Greet every customer/client personally
- Update my mailing list and invite all my old customers back down for a special event
- Give my building's facade a new coat of paint
- ...checking it out with the Historic District Commission first!
- Update my window themes to complement each month's promotions on the block
- Introduce myself to the new business owner on the block whom I have not welcomed yet
- Post my hours in the window
- Start a plan for next December's Victorian Holiday observation
- Update my Rag sponsorship to reflect what's new and interesting in my business



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